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SUBJECT:SECRETARY ADAMS PRESS CONFERENCE

1. ADAMS' PRESS CONFERENCE OF MAY 23 WAS REPORTED ON FRONT PAGE OF "JOURNAL OF COMMERCE". STORY (BY BRUCE BARNARD FROM LONDON) REPORTED UK REACTION AS FOLLOWS:

"BRITISH OFFICIALS HAVE REACTED ANGRILY TO MR. ADAMS THREAT BUT FEW ARE TAKING IT SERIOUSLY. THEY RECKON MR. ADAMS HAD COMMITTED A BLUNDER BY STIRRING UP THE TALKS JUST AS BOTH SIDES ARE CLOSE TO AGREEMENT.

"CONDORDE'S POSITION - THE MAJOR STICKING POINT APPEARS TO BE THE POSITION OF CONDORDE. THE BRITISH ARE DESPARATELY ANXIOUS TO ESTABLISH A PLACE FOR THE SUPERSONIC JET IN THE NEW AGREEMENT.

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"A BRITISH OFFICIAL SAID IT WAS 'TOTALLY OUT OF THE QUESTION' THAT A NEW AGREEMENT COULD BE REACHED BY JUNE 2. HOWEVER, THE ORIGINAL JUNE 22 DEADLINE COULD STILL BE MET, AND PERHAPS UNDER THE TERMS PUT FORWARD BY MR. ADAMS.

"U.K. NEGOTIATORS NOTE THAT CONSIDERABLE PROGRESS HAS BEEN

MADE AT THIS SESSION OF TALKS, PARTICULARLY ON THIRD AND
FOURTH FREEDOM RIGHTS, AND CAPACITY CONTROLS. THEY SAY

THEY WON'T BE BLOWN OFF COURSE BY MR. ADAMS' REMARKS, AND
WILL AIM TO MEET THE JUNE 22 DEADLINE."

("TERMS PUT FORWARD BY MR. ADAMS" APPARENTLY REFERS TO HIS
SUGGESTION THAT UK COULD TAKE CARE OF THEIR CONCERN OVER
CONCORDE'S PERMANENT LANDING RIGHTS AT DULLES BY INITIAT-
ING NEW AGREEMENT BY JUNE 22 BUT NOT SIGNING UNTIL THEY
SEE OUTCOME OF 16 MONTH TRIAL PERIOD IN SEPTEMBER.) VANCE

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